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Amendments to the Specification

Please amend Paragraph 0019 as follows:

[0019] The termination connection of the wire rope for the mining industry must be capable of sustaining a higher break force than the wire rope. The methods result in a heavy duty termination connection that weighs appreciably less than similarly sized wire ropes with typical terminations connections, up to or exceeding 50% less. For example, a current style termination connection could weigh 6000 pounds for a 4 3/8 inch diameter wire rope. Using the embodied methods, the termination connection would only weigh between 1500 pounds and 2800 pounds for the same diameter wire rope.